

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 29 and 31-33 are pending in the application, claim 29 being the independent claim. Claims 1-28 and 30 have been canceled without prejudice and Applicants reserve the right to file said claims in another application. These amendments are made to satisfy the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Based upon the above Amendments and the Remarks submitted on December 20, 2004, the applicants respectfully request the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections, and that they be withdrawn.

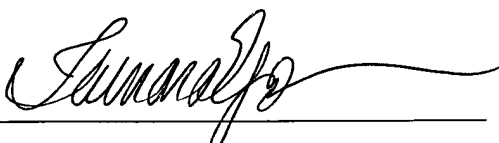
CONCLUSION

Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner replace the previously submitted amendment with the foregoing and reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. If the Examiner believes, for any reason that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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